

We have received from Samuel T. Pointer, Republican candidate for Congress from this Congressional District, a copy of his address to the voters of the district. He considers the issues to be (1) our national currency, (2) trusts and (3) the relations of "the nation" towards our newly acquired island possession.

He says in reference to the second issue: "Very much is being said by the Democratic orators, in the present campaign, about trusts, charging the Republican party with being responsible for and with fostering them." It is true the Democratic orators have said a great deal about trusts. Most of the Republican orators have said very little, and many of them have said that trusts are a good thing for the country. Trusts are the creature of the tariff and other paternal legislation of the Republican party. Just as a large number of Republicans now favor building a great ship building trust by a ship subsidy bill so has the Republican party made gigantic trusts possible by taking money from the great mass of consumers and put into the pockets of a few capitalists.

The Republican candidate gives the Philadelphia platform which "condemns all conspiracies and combinations intended to restrict trade, to create monopolies, to limit production, to control prices." In the light of Senator Hanna's assertion that there are no trusts and in the light of the almost open secret that large sums of money are contributed by the trusts to the Republican campaign fund, this condemnation must have been made with a wink full of meaning to the trusts. "We do not see how the Democratic leaders can mention trusts without a smile or perhaps, in New York, without a cold chill or icy shiver." This must have been written before "Teddy" Roosevelt returned to New York. The Republican candidate does not have "an icy shiver" at the mention of the trust, but he flies off into a rage. Republicans in New York have had enough of alleged Democratic connection with the ice trust, and it has turned on them. The facts are familiar. Why is it that the trusts fear the Democrats, but have no fear of the Republicans? The answer is easy. The trusts know that Bryan will wipe them out, and that McKinley dare not.

"The City of Brotherly Love, strange to say, is by no means a city of congenial and paternal affection as well. One of its own papers, the Record, reports: 'Desertions of wives and children by their husbands and fathers have become alarmingly numerous in this community and, in fact, throughout the country. On one day during the current month there were no less than 225 desertion cases on the docket of the Quarter Sessions Court in this city. Dejected women, with crying babies and older children—many sobbing and some stolid—filled the court room to overflowing. The frequency of desertions and the lack of adequate legal remedies for the forsaken ones have become public town talk.'"

The Record will be interested, perhaps, to learn that the condition it describes does not obtain in this "part of the country"—among the white people at least—in any appreciable degree. It is practically unknown in this State.—News and Courier.

So much for no divorce law. It is true that in a few isolated instances this State having no divorce law has occasioned much unhappiness and trouble to her citizens, but these are rare, and it must be said in truth that the fact that no divorce is allowed in this State has made marriage more sacred. People do not marry thoughtlessly as they do in States where divorces can be easily obtained.

We believe that farming lands are on the advance. An examination of the clerk's office will show a gradual advance in the value of land during the past ten years. About ten years ago lands which sold for about \$2 per acre are now bringing \$4 to \$5. Farming lands ten years ago probably reached bottom prices. The advance was noted before cotton reached ten cents. The Yorkville Enquirer has made the same observation in York County.

WINNSBORO and Fairfield county certainly sent their share of visitors to the fair. On Thursday the streets in Winnsboro were practically deserted and business was at a standstill, and we were told that that the same thing was true in the country.

COLUMBIA made a success of the fair. The attractions were better, and the high price of cotton gave people the money to spend. Visitors were pleased and happy.

BUCKHEAD BUDGETS.

I wish to correct a mistake published in my last letter to The News and Herald. I did not use the words "Lyles' graveyard." What I wrote about H. M. Brown was that he was "buried at his own graveyard on his plantation."

The farmers have had a fine week up to this time for preparing land and planting small grain and cutting and saving hay.

The State fair had very nice weather, except it was very cloudy the last few days, and no doubt many lost at home in consequence of the "lead of bad weather. Some of the young people from this neighborhood went to the fair.

I hope the people will abstain from strong drink, thereby laying a good example for the rising generation.

Nov. 3, 1900. J. C. Feaster.

MYRTLETIMES.

The farmers have been very fortunate in having good weather for gathering their crops this fall. The corn crop has been hauled in, but sorry to note the shortage.

There is very little cotton yet to be picked. This crop is turning out a fairer yield than was expected early in the fall. The rise in the price of cotton has for the time being been a great blessing to many farmers. The rise in price far exceeds the shortage. Some are holding their cotton, or some of it, for a better price.

Grain sowing has been commenced at quite a lively rate. This is a very good indication and should be increased, because the corn crop, as a general thing, is very short, at least in this section, and will, in all probability, demand an enormous price next year.

Our community has been recently awakened by the merry chime of the ever exhilarating wedding bells. Mr. Robert R. Jeffares, of Feasterville, and Miss Lizzie Hogan, daughter of Mrs. V. E. Hogan, were married at the home of the bride's mother on Wednesday last at 3.30 p. m. Rev. W. S. Goodwin conducted a very solemn and impressive ceremony in the presence of a small concourse of relatives and friends. At 4 p. m. dinner was announced, whereupon all repaired to the spacious dining hall to partake of the many good things that were so abundantly spread before them. During the process of the serving of dinner from the free hearts and open souls of kindred and friends flowed the several distinct streams of wit, cheerfulness, jokes from those who had experienced this part of life about the way in which they did "stand the best" and a touch of sound philosophy from the more witty; all mingling at last in one profusion of well-wishes to the happy couple who had just entered, what always should be, a state of complete happiness, as far as providence decrees. The groom, no doubt, is well known all over this county as a man of sterling worth, noted for his many traits of goodness such as honesty, intelligence, soberness, industriousness and energetic. The bride will be sorely missed in our community, both in social circles and the church. Her love of amusement and enjoyment, also religious inspirations, was ever a medium of magnetism to our circles. May her influence not decrease but have a broader sweep during the years which we hope shall be many that she is still to live. Our congratulations are abundantly tendered him who is to be blessed with such a companion for life.

Our school, previously known as Bear Creek School, but now as Zion High School, is rapidly increasing under the efficient management of Mr. W. H. Sligh, Jr., of Columbia.

Mrs. M. L. Cooper is visiting relatives in Frankfort, Ga.

Dr. Frank Duke, of Union, spent several days with his parents this week.

Mr. W. F. Hogan, of Greelyville, spent several days recently with his father, Mr. W. B. Hogan, who has been very ill, but is improving.

Mr. J. S. Allen is visiting relatives in Sumter and Greelyville.

Mr. J. F. Brown, who had a very severe spell some time ago, is out again.

Misses Effie and Sula Cooper, of Ridgeway, are spending sometime at "Eastview," their uncle's home.

Best wishes to News and Herald Nov. 3rd, 1900. Dixie.

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Signature of J. H. Hatcher.

MOIST DIAL ITEMS.

The fourth quarterly conference of the Fairfield circuit was held at St. Paul Church on Saturday, the 3rd inst., Rev. E. P. Hodges, P. E., in the chair. Owing to a very rainy day Bethel was the only church represented, making a pretty fair report for the past quarter.

Reports from other churches rather slim, but would have been better had their stewards been present. No public services were held for the district congregation.

The Bethel congregation met last week and cleaned off the church yard and burial ground, which adds very much to its appearance, and shows a public spirit in the community. There is too little interest taken generally in the care of the sacred repository of our beloved dead.

This community was represented at the State fair by Rev. Mr. Spigener and wife, Messrs. Edward Neely, J. L. Canham, Mr. G. W. Brooks and wife, T. C. Camak and Miss Blanche Camak, Miss Carlos Padgett, Miss Mamie Robison, and possibly others that I have not heard of. All that I have seen speak of it in the highest praise, complimenting especially the decorum and high morals of the crowd.

Miss O'Leary McKinstry has returned to Columbia, where she is in business.

Mr. W. T. McKinstry is at home on sick leave from the State hospital, but with continued improvement will be able to resume his duties in a few days.

Mr. Frank Mann and family have moved to Columbia to make it their home. I am sorry to see so many of our people leaving their old homes and casting their lots in other places. Fairfield is well represented in the capital city, and it seems they will soon get employment. It shows that there is a spirit of unrest and dissatisfaction among our farming friends, as all who have left us belong to that class.

Mr. W. A. Neil has not settled as to what he will do next year, as he was burnt out some time ago, and has no home to live in, and the party from whom he leased will not rebuild. It is rather an awkward predicament to be placed in. We hope he will soon get settled down and remain in the neighborhood.

There has been some grain sown. Cotton is about all open and gathered. Corn crop very light.

Politics are very quiet. Tuesday will solve the knotty question as to who will be President, Bryan or McKinley. I can only hope for Bryan.

Nov. 3, 1900. T. B. McK.

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COL. JOHN M. BROOKE.

He designed the Merrimac, Was With Perry in Japan and Invented the Deep-Sea Sounding Apparatus—Lee's Office at Extington, Va.

Wm. E. Curtis in Chicago Record.

I, the husband of the model of Washington and Lee University, at Lexington, Va., the office of the late Robert E. Lee, formerly president of that institution, is preserved exactly as he left it on the morning that he occupied it for the last time. Not a book, letter or paper has ever been disturbed. Once or twice a year the room is carefully dusted, but at all times the windows are kept closed and the shades drawn in order to protect the sacred places so far as possible.

Letters that he received the last morning that he was able to do any work lie on his writing table under a paper weight. The newspapers he read that day are beside them precisely where he laid them down; the morning paper of the different members of the faculty lie untouched. They were never examined. Visitors are sometimes admitted to this holiest of holies, especially if they served in the Confederate army under the great chieftain, whose death is incised in a marble sarcophagus across the hall from his study beneath a beautiful recombent statue, which is said to be the best likeness that exists.

Stonewall Jackson is buried in the little public cemetery at the other end of the town under a bronze statue representing him upon the battlefield with a field glass in his hands. Gen. Jackson's house is now occupied as a tenement by several families. The hall adjoining the First Presbyterian church, in which he conducted his famous "cigar" Sunday school, is still occupied for that purpose, for it is no longer considered contemptuous for lesser men than Stonewall Jackson to teach colored people the truths of the Bible.

Some years ago a story was published widely throughout the country about Gen. Jackson's ghost haunting the halls of the Virginia Military Institute, where he was a professor, but it turns out to have been a "ghost" invented by two imaginative students who were desirous of creating a sensation.

Col. John M. Brooke, who designed the ram Merrimac and thus revolutionized naval warfare, is still living at Lexington, a modest country gentleman, in the Virginia Military Institute. He was one of the early graduates of the Naval Academy of Annapolis, served with honor and distinction in the navy, commanded one of the ships in Commodore Perry's squadron on the Japan expedition, and was in the Virginia Military Institute, where he was a professor, but it turns out to have been a "ghost" invented by two imaginative students who were desirous of creating a sensation.

Col. Brooke is now 79 years old, but is still vigorous and walks from his residence, on the corner of the city, to his post-office at the same hour every morning. He is so regular that the people can set their watches by his appearance.

To remove a troublesome corn or bunion: First soak the corn or union in warm water to soften it, then pare it down as closely as possible without drawing blood and apply Chamberlain's Pain Balm twice daily; rubbing vigorously for five minutes at each application. A corn plaster should be worn for a few days to protect it from the shoe. As a general liniment for sprains, bruises, lameness and rheumatism, Pain Balm is unequalled. For sale by McMaster Co., druggists.

SOUTH CAROLINA'S CENSUS.

According to the figures of the census bureau, which were printed in the News and Courier yesterday morning, the population of South Carolina is 1,340,312, or a gain of 189,163 during the past ten years.

While this total population may not come up to the number which our people had expected it is considered a good gain for a State of South Carolina's size and the figures will compare most favorably with the population of other Southern States which had ranked near South Carolina in number of inhabitants. North Carolina, for instance, which had five hundred thousand inhabitants more than this State ten years ago, gained in the ten years only 100,000.

Arkansas in 1890 had a population of 1,128,179. This year the population is 1,311,564, or a gain of 183,385. In 1890 the population of South Carolina exceeded the population of Arkansas by 22,970. In 1900 the population of South Carolina is 237,143 greater than the population of Arkansas.

Louisiana is another State which ranks not far from South Carolina and gains there will be interesting when used as a comparison. Ten years ago Louisiana had a population of 1,118,588. The latest figures given out show a population of 1,351,627, or a gain of 233,039 in ten years.

The population of the city of New Orleans helps to swell the figures of Louisiana and the growth in the city is responsible for a large measure for the increase for the State.

Mississippi made an increase which is very near the increase of Louisiana. The population of Mississippi in 1900 was 1,551,372. In 1890 it was 1,289,600, or a gain of 261,772.—News and Courier.

Story of a Slave.

To be bound hand and foot for years by the chains of disease is the worst form of slavery. George D. Williams, of Manchester, Mich., tells how such a slave was made free. He says: "My wife has been so helpless for five years that she could not turn over in bed alone. After using two bottles of Electric Bitters, she is wonderfully improved and able to do her own work."

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Mrs. Bruce, wife of Mr. Bruce, agent for the Wheeler & Wilson sewing machine, arrived here on Monday with her two little children to join her husband.

A Baby's Birth.

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Bankrupt Petition for Discharge.

IN THE MATTER OF JOHN G. MOBLEY, BANKRUPT.

To the Honorable William H. Brawley, Judge of the District Court of the United States for the District of South Carolina:

John G. Mobley, of the County of Fairfield and State of South Carolina, in said district, respectfully represents that on the 13th day of September, A. D. 1899, he was duly adjudged bankrupt under the acts of Congress relating to bankruptcy; that he has duly surrendered all his property and rights of property, and has fully complied with all the requirements of said acts and of the orders of the Court touching his bankruptcy.

That for unavoidable cause, your petitioner was unable to file his petition for discharge in bankruptcy within twelve months from the date of the original petition herein, as follows, to-wit: That on the 8th day of September, A. D. 1899, he filed his original petition and schedules in bankruptcy; that by reason of unavoidable error and mistake in said original petition and schedules, it became necessary to amend the same; that the said original petition and schedules, filed on the 8th day of September, 1899, were amended by order of this Court of the 8th day of March, 1900; that by reason of the necessity to amend his original petition and schedules as aforesaid your petitioner has been unavoidably delayed in filing his petition for discharge in bankruptcy; that 12 months has not elapsed since the filing of the amended petition and schedules herein.

Wherefore he prays that he may be decreed by the Court to have a full discharge from all debts provable against his estate under said bankruptcy acts, except such debts as are excepted by law from such discharge.

Dated this 16th day of October, 1900. JOHN G. MOBLEY, Bankrupt.

Sworn to before me this 16th day of October, 1900. [SEAL] R. H. JENNINGS, C. C. P.

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Order of Notice Thereon District of South Carolina.

On this 24th day of October, A. D. 1900, on reading and filing the foregoing petition, it is

Ordered by the Court, that a hearing be had upon the same on the 9th day of November, 1900, before said Court, at Charleston, in said district, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon; and that notice of the said hearing be published in the News and Herald, a newspaper printed in said district, and that all known creditors and other persons in interest may appear at the said time and place and show cause, if any they have, why the prayer of the said petitioner should not be granted.

And it is further ordered by the Court, that the Clerk shall send by mail to all known creditors of said petitioner a copy of said petition and this order of the Court to them at their places of residence as stated.

Witness the Honorable Wm. H. Brawley, Judge of the said Court, and the seal thereof, at Charleston, in said district, on the 24th day of October, A. D. 1900.

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